Do You Demand a Sign?

> **But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:**
> **Matthew 12:39 (KJV)**

Something I feel the need to write about and was once guilty of myself is looking for worldly 'proof' for the things that the Spirit has already told me are true before I will believe it. Now anyone who has read a number of my articles is aware that I am all for digging up truth, however for the last few years God has been training me to depend on His providing it via the Holy Spirit first.

> **For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.**
> **Matthew 13:15 (KJV)**

There are so many things that the Lord has shared with me that I cannot tell anyone simply because they will demand 'proof'. I see now that this is spiritual immaturity on their parts. You see, the eyes and ears that Christ speaks of in this passage are referring to spiritual discernment.

The more we rely on His Spirit as our source of truth the less important it becomes to gather what the world considers evidence. Now let me be clear; when I write about these things God usually gives me some evidence whether it be a passage of scripture, photograph or quote from a book. But the reason I am writing this today is because God wants you to know something.

> **This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.**
> **1 John 5:6 (KJV)**

If we want to 'walk on water' spiritually speaking we must be willing to ignore the fact that it is physically impossible. We must let go of our temporal understanding of things and see with our spiritual eyes. When the Holy Spirit bears witness within our hearts as to the truth of a matter that really should be the only proof that we require.

> **Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.**
> **Daniel 12:10 (KJV)**

When people don't understand what we are saying or believe it to be true we must see it for what it is. They

either lack the Holy Spirit or are not attuned to His still, small voice. Once we have shared spiritual truth with them and they have demonstrated either a lack of understanding of the matter or an unwillingness to embrace it we must assume that they lack the spiritual discernment required to do so.

> **But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.**
> **Matthew 13:16 (KJV)**

This sounds awfully convenient, doesn't it? If someone disagrees with what I say it is because I have the Holy Spirit and they don't? Yet all you have to do is read all the above scripture I've quoted to see that it is true. Most in this world does not have eyes to see and ears that hear because it is only given a blessing from God.

> **I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.**
> **Revelation 3:18 (KJV)**

Yet spiritually speaking in this present day we have a situation where the blind quite literally lead the blind. Think about it for a moment. If you're a blind person and someone tells you they can see you have no way of knowing if they are lying! This is why the wolves that have snuck into the churches have been so successful. The people have been blinded to the truth because they either don't want it or are too lazy to find it.

> **Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.**
> **Romans 13:1 (KJV)**

This is why the bible speaks about church government and obeying the higher powers in Romans 13. Simply understood these are the people amongst the brethren who have the best spiritual eyesight and thus the responsibility to lead others. When we read Titus 2 we see that it is the responsibility for the older to instruct the younger within the body of Christ. This should be understood spiritually as those who are less skillful in applying the Word of God (**Hebrews 5:13 KJV**)